

REMARKS

The application has been amended and is believed to be in condition for allowance.

Applicants appreciate that the status of claims 13-22 has been changed from withdrawn to "previously amended", the claims thus being rejoined.

Claims 1-4 were rejected on the grounds of non-statutory obviousness-type double patenting over claims 1-44 of U.S. Patent 7,061,429.

A Terminal Disclaimer is attached to overcome this rejection. Accordingly, withdrawal of the rejection is solicited.

Claims 1-49 were rejected under §112, second paragraph, as being indefinite.

The claims have been amended so as to remedy the stated basis of rejection. Withdrawal of the indefiniteness rejection is therefore solicited.

If, however, there should be any remaining concerns as to the claims being definite, it is requested that the undersigned attorney be contacted by telephone so that an interview can be arranged and agreement reached as to appropriate further amendments.

Applicants acknowledge with appreciation the indication that the claims were directed to allowable subject matter and would be allowable if the double patenting rejection and the indefiniteness rejection were overcome.

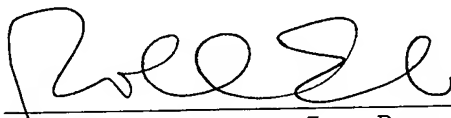
In view of the above amendments and filing the necessary Terminal Disclaimer, applicants believe that all the formal matters have been addressed and that the claims are in condition for allowance. Accordingly, allowance of all the claims is respectfully requested.

Charge the Terminal Disclaimer fee of \$65 to Deposit Account No. 25-0120.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 25-0120 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17.

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Appendix:

- a Terminal Disclaimer

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